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Riverside Police DUI Checkpoint Nets 5 Arrests

The Riverside Police Department conducted a DUI/Driver's License Checkpoint on Saturday, April 14, 2012, as part of Riverside's commitment to public safety. This checkpoint was one of many that have been or will be conducted throughout the year in the City of Riverside. The location of Saturday's checkpoint was on La Sierra Avenue and Spaulding Drive. The goal of the DUI Checkpoint was removing unlicensed or impaired drivers and to bring awareness to the public of the dangers of driving under the influence of drugs and alcohol.

RSO/CAL-ID was also on hand to assist with the identification of subjects that did not have a driver's license or official identification. Several were processed at the checkpoint with their assistance to ensure a better means of identification in the future. A representative from DOJ-Riverside was also present to ensure the proper functioning of the equipment utilized to conduct breath tests on subjects arrested for DUI.

In addition to enforcing traffic laws the Department's personnel assisted several families with the proper installation of their child safety seats to ensure the safety of the little ones passing through the checkpoint.

Results:

- 951 vehicles passed through the checkpoint.
- 951 drivers were contacted with 99 being screened.
- 5 DUI suspects were arrested and 1 was arrested for drug possession.
- 81 citations were issued.
- 23 vehicles were impounded.
- 67 unlicensed and suspended drivers were sent to court.

The checkpoint was funded by a grant from the California Office of Traffic Safety, through the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration. Report Drunk Drivers – Call 9-1-1!

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